

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant has reviewed and considered the examiners rejections and has rewritten claims 1, 14 and 19 so as to have proper antecedent basis under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Specifically, Applicant has positively recited a spacer in claim 1, has deleted "inter-structural attachments" in claims 1 and 14 and has amended claim 19 so as be dependent upon claim 17, which positively recites hold down tabs. Additionally, Applicant has amended claim 11 so as to provide proper antecedent basis as hold down tabs are claimed in claim 7, rather than claim 1.


Furthermore, Applicant has amended claim 1 so as to include the patentable subject matter of claim 8 (the shutter hinge being ribbed) and has also amended claim 14 so as to include the patentable subject matter of claim 18 (the hinge being ribbed).

Finally, Applicant has amended the specification so as to include a description of a shutter spacer as depicted in the drawings.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant believes the examiner will now find this patent application in a position for allowance and its expeditious passage to same is requested.

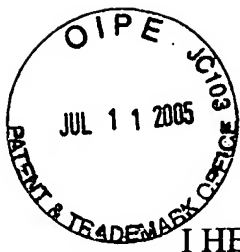
Should the examiner disagree or have any questions, comments or suggestions that will render this application allowable, a call to the undersigned attorney of record is invited.

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